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A group of library trustees who attended the MLA Trustees Section meeting are pictured with Mrs. C. C. Clark Chairman of MLA's Adult Education Committee, who planned and promoted the meeting. They are from left to right: Mr. V. D. Youngblood, Trustee Lincoln-Lawrence Libraries; Mr. Herman B. Decell, Trustee Yazoo Library Association; The Reverend T. Russell Nunan, Trustee William Alexander Percy Memorial Library of Greenville; and Mr. J. B. Arnold, Trustee Leland Public Library.

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Margarete Peebles Business Manager State College, Mississippi ask

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THE CONVENTION STORY

The Convention story has not been written—at least, not as such. No one asked to do it seemed inclined or inspired to write a resume of the meeting. There isn't much point in rerunning the program or listing a blow-by-blow schedule.

And so, here are only a few words from the MLA president, Mary Love.

Reports of the various sectional meetings, including the workshop for public librarians, are included in the appropriate departments of this issue.

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THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE



Mary Love

Now is the time for me to express my personal gratitude and that of the Association to those people who worked so hard before and during the Convention. It is a well-known fact that no one person can engineer a convention. It takes the combined efforts of a good many people to make anything of this nature a success. So thanks for your cooperation.

Several people have suggested that it would be a good idea to have our annual meeting at different places over the state rather than confine them to Jackson and Biloxi. As a follow-up of that suggestion a poll is being made of likely places over the state. This poll is designed to find out whether a town wishes to have us and whether there are adequate facilities there. The most important item in the way of facilities is, of course, that exhibit space be made available at convention headquarters. The results of this poll will have great bearing on the decision concerning the place of the next meeting.

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The attendance at the trustees' section meeting was very gratifying. The number there this year, compared with the number attending last year, shows to what degree interest was created this year. Much credit for creating this interest is due Mrs. Mary Henley, Chairman of the Section, and Mrs. C. C. Clark, Chairman of the Adult Education Committee. It will be interesting to read the results of the questionnaire sent by Mrs. Clark to the trustees concerning this meeting. I believe that this section will continue to grow, judging from the interest shown this year.

It might interest you to know the number of people registered at the convention and the number attending some of the functions. There were 238 registered, one hundred and fifty attending the banquet, and one hundred and five attending the luncheon.

Mary Love, President Mississippi Library Association CHANGES IN COMMISSIONERS

Things have changed at the Commission—this time in the Commissioners. There is a brand new board member and a brand new chairman of the board.

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The new chairman is Mrs. C. A. Doster of Durant. Mrs. Doster is not new to the board—just new to the chairmanship. She was appointed to the Board of Commissioners by Governor Hugh White in 1954.

Libraries are old hat to Mrs. Doster. She was instrumental in organizing the Durant Public Library, which later expanded its services to the people of Holmes County. For some years, the was a member of that library board of trustees.

Business at Board of Commissioner meetings should proceed with more than usual facility under Mrs. Doster's chairmanship. She is legal advisor to the Mississippi Federation of Women's Clubs and has previously been its parliamentarian.

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Mrs. C. A. Doster

Miss Elisabeth Wise of Hazlehurst is the new board member. Her appointment was made in September by Governor J. P. Coleman from the state at large to succeed Mrs. E. B. Nash of West Point, whose term expired.

Actually, Miss Wise is not really a new board member, but rather a "repeater." She was appointed to the board in 1950. She has long been participating actively in public library development. To her goes much of the credit for the growth of the city library in Hazlehurst and the more recent Copiah County Library. She is at present a member of both the city board and the county board.

Perform at Southeastern

Anona Jenkins of the MLC board and Mrs. C. C. Clark of the staff each led a discussion group at Southeastern's joint meeting of the Public Libraries Section and the County and Regional Libraries Section.

The Romance Department

The Library Commission doesn't hope to compete with matrimony—and so the best wishes of the staff go with Annette Hough, typist in the Technical Processes Department, who left the Commission in order to be married on December 1.

Texas Cowboys and Choctaw Indians

Norma and Bob Wood were November visitors with Norma's parents in West Texas.

Brigitte Kenney was an enthusiastic participant in a visit to the Conehatta School on the Choctaw Indian Reservation at Philadelphia. Her visit extended through an entire day, when she accompanied the librarian, Inez Allen, on the Area's wonderful new bookmobile and materials center.



Elisabeth Wise

Japanese Librarian Visits

The Library Commission fulfilled one of its delightful "duties" in early December when it played host to Japanese Librarian Itsuaki Hatsukade of the Chiba Central Library, Chiba-shi, Japan. ttovti

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Mr. Hatsukade, as a participant in the Foreign Leader Program of the International Educational Exchange Service of the U.S. Department of State, was on a library tour of this country from September 21 through December 29. His tour of Mississippi included mostly "rural" scenes, library and otherwise.

Besides his position as Chief Librarian of Chiba Central Library, Mr. Hatsukade is Executive Director of the School Library Association, Executive Director of the Japan Library Association, Manager of the Japan Library Science Society, Director of the Public Library Division of the Japan Library Association, and Chairman of the Board of Penal Institutions of Chiba Prefecture.

Because he speakes no English, Mr. Hatsukade was accompanied by an interpreter from the State Department.

THE DIRECTOR'S PAGE

NOW WE ARE SEVEN

There are 62 counties in Mississippi that make any effort whatsoever to have public library service. Of that number, 20 are already working in some kind of cooperative way with their neighbors. They are operating in seven larger units of service.

What do these statistics mean? They show simply that one-third of all the people spending money for public library service have, within the relatively short period of six years, explored the possibilities and found the exhilarating experience of working together in order that each of them might have something better.

Now, when the ever present question of "Which way shall we go?" is being propounded from every library corner, it is extremely important that we look at several facts in relation to these library systems that are already in operation. Whatever may be the varying degrees of opinion on larger units of library service, there are these certain facts about them that are indisputable.

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- 2. They are legal.
- 3. They are voluntary.
- 4. They are dissolvable.
- 5. No two of them are alike.

Anything beyond those five basic facts is most certain to be colored by philosophy of library service, previous experiences, points of view, personal preferences, amount of information. Whatever ideas, preconceived notions, or experiences any of us bring to the problem of library development, these five facts about larger units of service, as they operate in Mississippi, are not questions for argument, but rather matters for the record.



Lura G. Currier

They work. Four counties have been operating a regional library since October, 1950 and the contracts have been renewed by all the counties each year since. Of the 20 counties working in multi-county units 14 of them have been renewing their contracts since 1952.

They are legal. Twenty different attorneys for that many boards of supervisors and the legal minds in the office of the attorney general have combed the contracts of these libraries year after year. They are as legal as any other public service operating in the state since they function within the clearly defined statutes passed by the state legislature and signed by the governor into law.

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They are voluntary. No one has the power, nor inclination, to force a board of supervisors into signing a library contract with another county. Even more, no one attempts to force a library board of trustees to make such a recommendation to its board of supervisors. When elected officials and library trustees decide to pool their resources for better service they do so after months, and sometimes years, of careful study and exhaustive examination. It is not an accident that there have been no failures among the cooperative efforts of Mississippi libraries. Rather it is a definite result of just such careful feeling of the way as has been characteristic of every one of the seven library systems.

They are dissolvable. No county is into a joint arrangement any longer than it wants to be. As much space has been spent in each of the contracts with provisions for breaking up as for joining together. The accounting systems stand annual inspections of auditors. Each contract is made on a year to year basis, with specific provision that it be reviewed annually by all parties concerned. When some county, working in a cooperative effort, does decide to "go it alone" then it is free to do so. That will probably happen. When it does, it may be best for all concerned. It will not prove anything against the system any more than one divorce negates the wisdom and value of matrimony. The freedom of a county to withdraw from its cooperative agreements is one of the strengths of the multi-county systems.

No two of them are alike. This is the hardest of the facts to get across to persons who have no actual knowledge of how these larger units of service operate. The Director of the Library Commission has a file of letters that show quite clearly that there is, among some librarians and trustees, the misconception that a "regional library is a regional library is a regional library." Nothing could be further from the facts. These systems of library service vary in their administrative setup all the way from complete integration of all funds and processes to no more than a high degree of professional cooperation at the top level. Municipalities within the geographical boundaries of some of these library systems levy their own separate tax and maintain their own library boards of trustees. It is in the service to the people that there is unification: structurally, they are cut to fit the local pattern. When a person loudly acclaims: "We are not going to become part of a regional library" he is like unto the person who says: "I am not going to eat anything because carrots give me indigestion." Becoming part of a regional library can be any number of things. And is. Giving contractual service is something else again. Combining certain technical processes and sharing certain types of materials and equipment is still another thing.

20 counties in the state have studied their library problems carefully and painstakingly and have arrived at the conclusion, for one reason or another, that they can give better library service by working together than they can by operating alone. 42 counties, for one reason or another, have not done so. Many of them want to now. Some of them do not. Some of them will come to that realization later. Some of them perhaps never will. We do not all arrive at the same place at the same time because we did not start at the same time, nor do we all move at the same speed. Who knows? We may not even all be going to the same place. But whatever our direction, our point of departure, or our speed, we all-those of us concerned about libraries-have one thing in common: we have too much to do and too little to do it with.

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(Continued from Page 134) No one's situation is "different" in that respect. Nor is it a problem exclusively ours. The ever pressing need to make the shrinking tax dollar go further and further is a common concern shared by those who are seeking to build good schools, provide hospital care for the sick, maintain adequate highways, provide public safety, and secure for all these public services the scarce and expensive skills of highly trained teachers, engineers, nurses, doctors, administrators, and, of course, librarians.

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If democracy faces one challenge above all others, it is the necessity to strike exactly the right balance between working together for the common good and maintaining individual integrity, initiative and autonomy. The people working together in Mississippi's multi-county library systems have found that balance to a high degree. Those who judge without the facts, and those who condemn without a trial violate one of the oldest of man's prerogatives: "He is presumed to be innocent until he is proved guilty." Or to put it much less elegantly: "The proof of the pudding is in the eating."

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Kay Cooley Associate Director

The Mississippi Library Commission is the legal agency in Mississippi whose responsibility it is to encourage and promote public library development in Mississippi-to give advice and help in establishing new ones and to aid and cooperate with those already in existence. In addition to this, its first responsibility, the Library Commission concerns itself also with state employees, state institutions such as training schools, penal institutions, and mental hospitals; with individuals in localities without public library service; and with sundry other services to sundry other individuals and groups.

Toward the end of discharging these responsibilities, the Library Commission is organized into five departments (administrative, field services, reference and acquisitions, technical processes, and circulation), each staffed with specialists in that field.

This is the first in a series of five articles to introduce to you the persons holding these various positions and to tell you what you as "our public" may expect from them.

ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT

The Administrative Department obviously has as its major function the administration of the Library Commission, within the framework of the overall policies laid down by the Board of Commissioners. It is staffed with a director, an associate director, an office manager, and a typist.



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Lura G. Currier

The Director

Since February 1, 1955, Mrs. Lura Gibbons Currier has been the Commission director. Prior to that time, she was for five years the field representative on the staff. Her experience in the public library field has been extensive, varied, and successful.

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Again to say the obvious, the Director of the Library Commission directs its activities. There's more to it though than just sitting at a desk and sending the lesser lights on their various and varying tours of duty. This is one executive who executes in the good, old-fashioned manner—by laboring along with the rest of the staff in whatever tasks must be done.

It would be next to impossible (and very time-consuming) to list the "duties" of the Commission Director. More or less all things to all libraries, she is available to individuals and groups throughout the State for advice, consultation, speech-making — actually to help as much as possible with all types of problems involving library development. The extent to which the service of the director is available is limited only by time, endurance, and the worrisome problem of not being able to be in more than one place at a specified time.

The responsibility for spearheading public library development in Mississippi has never been taken lightly by the Library Commission's directors. The present director is by no means an exception. Mrs. Currier's efforts on behalf of libraries are untiring. Her services and advice are given freely. If it's libraries, that's for her!

The Associate Director

(NOTE: Elizabeth Long is the author of "The Associate Director")

"After all, I'm really a truckdriver at heart," said Lura Currier to the staff of the Library Commission as she informed them on July 1 of the promotion of Kay Cooley to associate director. With interest in library development at an all time high in the state it was becoming increasingly evident that the director would have to spend more time out in the state. It was also evident that she could not continuously respond to all the demands in the field and maintain the desired efficiency in the office.



Kay B. Cooley

In looking around for an associate director, Kay Cooley seemed to fill the bill and that she is doing. Already serving as editor of Library News, she is now in charge of all internal operations at the Library Commission, thus relieving the director of much of the administrative routine. Mrs. Cooley's background of public library experience in Louisiana and later as circulation supervisor and library consultant at the Commission has fitted her well for the position she has assumed. She is thoroughly familiar with the internal operations of the Library Commission and more than that she knows well the Mississippi library picture.

The director of the Library Commission feels fortunate in having Kay as a "pinch hitter" while she rides the highways developing library service, or at this season of the year perhaps a better term might be "second string quarterback."

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The Office Manager

There's more to being an office manager than this world dreams of. That goes doubled in spades at the Mississippi Library Commission. You have only to ask Elizabeth Long (Mrs. Henry Long in private life). In this position she is confidential secretary, bookkeeper, receptionist, and general trouble shooter (trouble shooter being an all-encompassing term something like administrative assistant).

Elizabeth "looks after the director," keeps all the books, handles the payroll, supervises the administrative department's typist, routes the mail and telephone calls, acts as receptionist, assists with Mississippi Library News, takes responsibility for seeing that all correspondence leaves the office in proper form, etc.—really manages the combination business office, field office and administrative department (and to tell the truth, everybody in it). As the office manager goes, so goes the Commission!

The Typist

As set up in the Commission's organization, the position of typist in this department is just that — not that dreams of other skills and talents aren't entertained. In Jan Peters we have that dream—all this and efficiency, too.

The typist does the typing for the administrative and field services departments, operates the mimeograph and multilith machines, transcribes from the dictating machine, does the art work for brochures, etc., assists with Mississippi Library News, and then some.

Flash! Eunice Eley is back from Europe. Her address is 633 North Congress Street, Jackson.

FIRST STEPS TOWARD LIBRARY SERVICE TO STATE INSTITUTIONS

Brigitte Kenney

The Library Laws of Mississippi state that some of the duties of the Mississippi Library Commission shall be "... to operate traveling libraries, and circulate such traveling libraries . . . among charitable and penal institutions..."

Recently the Commission has begun bookmobile service to the two training schools and the Mississippi School for the Deaf. At the Columbia Training School some service was given last year under the direction of Mrs. Kay Cooley, now Associate Director for the Library Commission. The library was weeded, the books left were cataloged and processed, and the bookmobile served all the children three different times during the school year. The Deaf School was visited with the bookmobile also, and the elementary grades were served.

This year the work was turned over to Brigitte Kenney. She conferred with principals and librarians at Columbia, Oakley, and the Deaf School, and a regular schedule of bookmobile visits every six weeks was planned. At Columbia the primary consideration at this time is to stimulate reading interest among the students. For this purpose there will be a special subject featured at each bookmobile visit, with advance publicity, posters and announcements to be handled by the librarian there. The response to the first featured subject Future Unlimited, which was carried out with a special display in the bookmobile of vocational books and bookjackets, as well as posters, was good and an even better response is expected in the future. Another means of stimulating reading interest is the new rule that students will be given

proper credit in their English grade for reading appropriate books, which in turn will affect the number of merits they receive. After accumulating a number of merits they are eligible for release and it is believed that this plan will be beneficial to the students as well as a stimulant to more and better reading. The interests of the students and the requests received are varied indeed-anything from advanced electronics to a book on motorcycles, from textbooks on barbering to Grace Livingston Hill, is being requested. The teachers at the Training School are becoming more and more used to this service and are beginning to request books to help with their school work. One of the requests received recently was for books on how to build modern furniture (requested by the shop teacher). If the dormitories have some pretty new nightstands and dressing tables, they will have been made from plans supplied by the bookmobile.

At Oakley the service began this year and it was indeed received with great enthusuasm. Non-fiction is by far outnumbering fiction in circulation figures, and it is not at all unusual for a 13 year old boy to come away with a book on trigonometry and another one on science experiments. The influence of television is visible here. It seems that all the students are avid fans of Mr. Wizard and his science experiments and are eager to try some of the stunts themselves. Varied is the word for the requests here, too-from Longfellow and Hawthorne to sports books, from a book on how to write the right kind of letters to one on reptiles. But wonder of wonders-no one wants Davy Crockett or cowboy books. There is no need here to stimulate reading interest. It is hard to keep the children from fighting over the books, for most of them know exactly what

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they want before they come on the bookmobile, and woe to the one who tries to take the desired book away from them.

At the Deaf School the problem is quite different. Communication is difficult since sign language is not among one of the accomplishments of this writer, and many of the children have a hard time deciding what they want. If the book has attractive pictures, they will grab it, regardless of contents. Another difficulty is that many of the children in the primary grades are older, some as old as twelve, and it is difficult to find books with a high interest level but on a low reading level.

Progress is being made, however, in showing the children that reading the books might be fun as well as looking at the pictures. The teachers have been most helpful in advising the students what type books they should choose, and although there is much left to be done, the interest among the children is high and they are eagerly looking forward to each bookmobile visit.

This service, although in its infancy, can and will be an important part of the work of the Commission. It is certainly a challenge and it is believed that our visits to these institutions will be very valuable to the students and their rehabilitation in the future.

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Blue Ribbon

Names of Collegians attending the Convention have been omitted because a complete list would crowd this edition, but the University Library should be awarded the blue ribbon, with eleven staff members present.

Gone Modern

All Saints Episcopal Junior College Library has exchanged "25 years of muted, cloistered walls, dark oak facings and shelves, for soft blue-green walls and matching woodwork and shelves," according to Mrs. A. G. Alexander, Librarian. The chairs are new and the tables were finished to match in light maple. Students, alumni, and visitors approve enthusiastically of the cheerful atmosphere attained and Mrs. Alexander issues an invitation, "Come and see us."

Brick and Mortar

A \$550,000 Library is in prospect for Jackson State College, with \$150,000 from the General Education Board and \$400,000 allotted by the State Building Commission for the project. Dr. A. F. Kuhlman will be consultant.

Hail and Farewell

The University of Mississippi is sorry to lose Mrs. Drucilla Barner, Mrs. Jimmie Callicoat, Mrs. Joan Crenshaw and Mrs. Hazel Kinney, recently resigned. Five new members have been welcomed to the staff: Mrs. Ann Land, Mrs. Charlotte Dale, Mrs. Obion Fagan, Arah Hudson and Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Young.

At the Speaker's Table

Eleanor Harkins, (Delta State College) reviewed *Greenwillow* by B. J. Chute for the Cleveland Woman's Club on November 9th.

Margarete Peebles (State College) was guest speaker at the morning meeting of SLAM on Saturday November 17. Her subject was "New Dimensions of Librarianship."

Mrs. Ruth Tooze, author of "America," a book-length narrative poem, and Literature and Music as Resources for Social Studies was the dynamic speaker behind the Phelps-Stokes Fund Project to Improve Instruction in Secondary Schools Conference and the Children's Book Caravan for 1955-56 at Tougaloo Southern Christian College. Mrs. Tooze is often called "The Johnny Appleseed of children's books." Teachers from high schools in Oxford, Natchez, Canton, and Clinton, delegates from Jackson College, Rust, Alcorn and Tougaloo attended the conference.

They Were There

Forrest Palmer, Margarete Peebles and Willie D. Halsell attended the Southeastern Library Association convention in Roanoke, Va., October 11-13.

L. Zenobia Coleman, Librarian of Tougaloo Southern Christian College, attended the workshop to evaluate materials in social studies for children's literature at Chicago University, August 8-11.

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BREAKFAST AT EIGHT

Margarete Peebles State College

The hall leading to the Creole Room at the Hotel Edwards looked somewhat like a department store sale on Saturday morning, October 27, when 37 women and 3 men gathered outside the door with blue admittance slips in hand to partake of the first breakfast held by the College Section of MLA. The meal got underway with far less trouble than the chairman had anticipated. What the librarians didn't know was that there were only thirty seats for forty people. It happened that the registration desk somehow lost count of the number of tickets and could account for the sale of only eight tickets. The head waiter solved the problem by adding chairs to the speaker's table and by widening the circle around the round tables. Such maneuvers destroyed completely the supposedly wellplanned seating arrangement which was to give the speaker someone to talk with all through the breakfast. The speaker was simply moved up and down the table several times to unbalance the entire plan of conversation which was supposed to stimulate interesting questions later in the meeting.

The breakfast was a stock affair of ham, eggs, with a side dressing of grits plus toast, coffee, and juice. The fact that the out-of-state guest, Miss Roberta Moss, Order Lirarian from the University of Alabama, had no fork was of little consequence. Several of the more generous librarians offered her their knives, and one even offered a spoon after she had finished stirring her coffee.

Forrest Palmer who opened the meeting with prayer was asked, without being forewarned, to act as secretary in the absence of Hallie Eggleston.

The report of the nominating committee came from two spots in the room and was conducted in sign language from Gertrude Rowzee to Virginia Robinson, the chairman of the committee. Somehow in the shuffle of seats Gertrude missed her seating arrangement and was separated from the committee; nevertheless, Virginia reported that the committee, which also included Eleanor Harkins, had decided on Norma Faye Wall of the University for chairman and Virginia Riggs of Hinds Junior College for secretary for the next two years.

The chairman made a bow of thanks to the Section before the group moved to the Crown Room in order that their speaker might be shared with the other members of the Association. It was very obvious that the speaker was worthy of being "shared." Dressed in soft blue wool that matched a pair of sparkling blue eyes and enhanced the beauty of her gray hair, Mrs. Sara Verner was most attractive. Her hat of two shades of blue satin was in the latest style and most becoming. Since no one knew in advance what the speaker looked like it was quite rewarding to see her all but steal the show at the convention.

Mrs. Verner, who is the Rare Book Room Librarian at the University of Alabama, talked on the subject of the "Rare Book Room." She gave a brief history of the Alabama Rare Book Room and illustrated her talk with rare items that she had brought from the Alabama Room. She made helpful suggestions on who should collect what and how various materials should be preserved. At the conclusion of the talk the members of the Association gathered around the speaker's stand to examine the rare books and to ask questions.

From all comments, the breakfast meeting, which combined eatin' and speakin', seemed to be a pleasant affair, well worth a repeat performance next year.

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Exhibits Lend Their Charm

Delta State College students have provided exhibits for Bible, Halloween, United Nations and Education weeks. The library is currently showing letters and manuscripts from the collection of Dr. J. O. Baylen, Head of the Division of Social Science. Memorabilia of Madame Juliette Adams include "souvenirs" of such famous people as Victor Hugo, Pierre Loti, Charles Gounod, Jules Massenet, Bernard Shaw, George Meredith, Thomas Hardy and W. T. Stead.

When President Kincheloe was inaugurated at Touglaoo Southern Christian College, historical material on former presidents and congratulatory messages from more than a hundred colleges formed a display highlighted by the "Distinguished Service Award for Outstanding Service to Education" presented to President Kincheloe on Oct. 3rd by the Alumni and Drake University. Also displayed was a collection of the works of the new president.

A room in the library of Okolona Junior College has been set aside for a museum to contain pictures, books and relics symbolic of the history of the college, according to L. M. Patterson, Librarian.

To encourage the reading of travel books, dolls in national costumes are on display at the MSCW Library. They were collected by Mrs. Dorothy McElroy Vredenburg, famous alumna of the college, during recent travels, and they were loaned by the owner, Dorothy Lee Sutton of Columbus.

Virginia C. Robinson, MSCW Associate Librarian, will display her collection of historical paintings of old water mills at the Eola Hotel in Natchez, Mississippi, Feb. 22 and 23, 1957, during the meeting of the Mississippi Historical Society. The eight mills still standing in Mississippi will be emphasized as possible location for state parks.

Theses at Mississippi State College

The first thesis to be written by a woman was Concerning Lichens, by Miss Clara Southmayd Ludlow in 1901. Its 80 pages are handwritten on foolscap paper.

165 theses have been added since the publication of *Bibliography* of *Theses*: 1901-1952, bringing the total number to 542.

Recent titles of interest are: Geology of the Bolton Oil Fields, Hinds County, Miss., by John Antonio Greco; A Fictionalized Biography of Joe Cook, Mississippi Educator, by Ida Frances Cook Klages; Chronicles of the Fire-Eaters, a Contemporary Account of the Secession in Mississippi, 1849-1853, by Lamar Brown Neal; William Augustus Evans, Statesman of Public Health, by Dorothy Nell Phillips.

Introducing Dr. Hartin

Congratulations to Dr. Sykes Hartin, Director of Libraries at the University, upon acquiring that PhD granted by the Horace H. Rackham School of Graduate Studies, University of Michigan, June 16, 1956. His thesis, a monumental bibliography entitled: Southeastern United States in the Novel Through 1950, a Bibliographic Review, was pronounced the heaviest of the year, weight seven pounds! It's 639 pages long, contains 4463 entries, and is concerned primarily with novels having a Southeastern regional setting. A copy of the thesis may be secured later from University Microfilms, if you wish to add it to your collection of Mississippiana.

Modern homes have built-in everything—stoves, beds, baths, ovens, television, refrigerators...but no bookshelves. And yet only three things make a house look like a home — a child's toy, a picture on the wall and a lot of books.

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All Saints Episcopal Junior College Library after a face-lifting.

Apologies from the Editor for the absence of a volume index in this issue. Tempus fugited too fast! Will do later.

WORKSHOP FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIANS

Augusta Richardson, Director Northeast Regional Library

"Steps Toward Standards" was the theme of the pre-conference of the Mississippi Library Association meeting on Thursday, October 25th. The conference was a workshop for public librarians. In order to define the steps toward standards and what they could mean to the development of library services in Mississippi for the next five years, librarians from all types of public libraries in the state-from small town libraries, county, regional and big municipal libraries-worked hard to formulate some definite conclusions. It was agreed by all who participated that concrete steps toward a five-year goal were the first requirements for a basic plan.

The first topic considered at the workshop was the need for uniformity in making the annual report. Each of the six small groups studied the report, asked questions, made suggested corrections and revisions. These were reported to the group as a whole. It was suggested that a copy of the revised report be sent to each library as soon as feasible for study all during the year.

In the discussion of the step "On What Foundation Stones" a report was made to the group as a whole on the survey made in 1950 by Gretchen Schenk, its recommendations, implementation and the progress that has been made up to the present. The

small groups each studied one of the basic principles necessary to the best expenditure of any funds, and reported its discussion, questions and suggestions back to the large group meeting.

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In the afternoon session Mr. Gordon Bryant, Social Science Research Center. Mississippi State College, discussed the financial structure and possibilities of the counties in the state. Most libraries in the state depend on the counties to furnish basic support for permanent library development. This discussion was very helpful in planning for future local support and gave concrete information to answer the question "With What Money." The final question "Toward What Ends" included a close and critical look at the state plan for library development under the Library Services Act which will help provide "Books for People Without Books."

Miss Julia Bennett, American Library Association Representative in Washington, D. C., who was the person most responsible for getting the Library Services Act passed by Congress, was consultant for the workshop.

An added feature of the program for the day was presented by Mr. Louis A. Rowland, Jr., Director of Information and Education, Mississippi Forestry Commission and Mrs. Brigitte Kenney, Mississippi Library Commission. They discussed the Smokey Bear Reading Club and how libraries could participate in the plan by using it as the theme for summer reading programs. The Forestry Commission supplies many materials, such as buttons and reading certificates, for all libraries which take part in the program.

Dr. William Augustus Evans (A Book Review by Lucille Peacock)

Phillips, Dorothy Nell, WILLIAM AUGUSTUS EVANS, STATESMAN OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Master's thesis, State College, 1956.

A brief review of the recent activities in Aberdeen's Evans Memorial Library leaves us lazy folk puffing for breath. That library sounds like a publishing house!

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Librarian Lucille Peacock came up with the idea and research for an attractive pamplet "Let's Tour Aberdeen." Financial backing, also promoted by promoter Peacock, came from local civic and business groups.

Librarians around the state will soon see McGraw-Hill's new book A Guide to Early American Homes-South by Dorothy and Richard Pratt. Cooperation of the Evans Memorial Library is responsible for much of the material included about that area of Mississippi.

Last—and most important—is news about Dorothy Nell Phillips' thesis. She wrote a biography of the founder of the Aberdeen library. With much cooperation from Evans Memorial Library, she carefully documented her work. Librarian Peacock has briefly reviewed this book for us:

It is quite fitting that Mrs. Dorothy Nell Pickle Phillips is author of this biographical thesis published by the Social Science Research Center at Mississippi State College, for she is a citizen of Dr. Evans' beloved Monroe County. It was evidently no easy task to write about a man as versatile as this "statesman of public health."

In her introduction Mrs. Phillips states, "A description or listing of his many accomplishments does not truly portray William Augustus Evans. While his professional accomplishments were enough to make him outstanding those that really knew him remember him for other reasons." He was "physician, lecturer, writer, humanitarian, historian, educator and philanthropist—a veritable man of parts."

The descendant of a long line of distinguished ancestors, William Augustus

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Evans, Jr. was born in Marion, Alabama, August 5, 1865. From the little material available on his childhood and youth the author tells of his attending school in Aberdeen and experiences while at the Agricultural and Mechanical College, now Mississippi State College. He was in the first graduating class. His early medical training was at Tulane. The author then proceeds to give the next three chapters of her thesis, these headings: "A Chicago Health Reformer," "A Breath of Fresh Air" and "A Pioneer in Health Education."

Samuel Johnson once said, "No man ever yet became great by imitation." Dr. Evans, as is well shown in this detailed account, was no imitator. It is a story of a steady climb toward the title "public health leader in the state of Illinois." For his work, Mrs. Phillips states these qualifications: "sound medical knowledge, youth, enthusiasm, fearlessness, aggressiveness, and a tireless capacity for work." She quotes many authorities who pictured in an entertaining way his persistent campaigns to educate people to their need for public health.

For a chuckle or so you are allowed to read some of Dr. Evans' healthgrams, such as: Highballs often cause low spirits. Teasing the baby to make it laugh is a crying shame. Alcohol is a preservative but not for your health.

It was in 1911 that Dr. Evans was chosen by the *Chicago Tribune* to become editor of the first syndicated health column in the U. S.—"How to Keep Well." That newspaper called him "one of the greatest living authorities on preventive medicine."

The last chapter of Mrs. Phillips' thesis is entitled "Citizen of Aberdeen and of the World." It was in 1934 that he retired from the medical profession but not from work. During the next fourteen years he accomplished what the usual man doesn't achieve in a lifetime. Access to many Southern newspapers gave the author opportuni-

ty of presenting a full picture of the retired life of this "statesman." Historical research had long been his hobby. Now came time for doing much of it. First, the writing of Mother Monroe, a history of Monroe County, as well as innumerable historical articles. pamphlets and speeches. In memory of his family, early settlers of the county, he built and presented the Evans Memorial Library to the city of Aberdeen, also the Evans Memorial Library, Colored Branch. The activities and interests of this busy man whose motto was "service above self" came to an end November 8, 1948.

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The author ends the story with the eulogy which appeared in the Boonevile Independent and was written by Dr. W. H. Anderson.

"Mississippi really and truly loved and appreciated Dr. Evans and willingly shared him with the rest of the nation and the rest of the world. We claimed him as a native son but in truth he was a citizen of the world."



Seen above is the entering scene of the Evans Memorial Library. Mrs. Julian Evans, Sr., is holding a copy of William Augustus Evans, Statesman of Public Health, a biography of her father-inlaw. Mrs. Evans is vice-president of the library board. Dr. Evans was the generous founder of the Aberdeen Library.

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All librarians of the Northeast Regional Library met in Corinth November 29 for a resume of Mississippi Library Association and a discussion of the Library Services Act funds. A good clean day of fun and education was had by all!

Plans are underway for Lee County Library to give library service to Itawamba County. Itwamba is one of the areas scheduled to receive aid the first year of the Library Services Act program. Already the Board of Supervisors had levied a one mill tax for the support of the library.

Mr. Dexter A. Digby, Itawamba County Superintendent of Education, was instrumental in securing this service for Itawamba County.

Members of the Itawamba Library Advisory Board are: Mrs. Tiras Gray, Chairman; Mrs. Eupal Thornberry, Secretary; Miss Reba Cowley; Mrs. Minnie Dyer; and Mrs. Lorainne Maxey.

Early in the new year the Lee County Library bookmobile will begin service to the schools and adults. At a later date a branch library will be opened in Fulton.

The Tombigbee Regional Library's initial service in Choctaw County has been received enthusiastically and the bookmobile staff comes back each time more thrilled than the last. The schools have been visited for the second time and at the French Camp, Weir, Chester, and Panhandle school stops service to the community is also being given.

The staff is working on the rural community bookmobile routes and complete service will begin early in January.

The Ackerman Board of Alderman has appropriated the money for rent and utilities for the Ackerman Library and a building in the center of town has been rented and is being redecorated. Miss Sara Whitten has been appointed librarian for Ackerman. Miss Whitten is a former teacher in the Greenwood High School and has had some work in library science at Peabody.

The Choctaw County Library Committee is composed of Mrs. Bobby Mc-Neil, Mrs. Nina Shumaker, Mrs. Barney Thomas, Mrs. J. L. Kilpatrick, and Mrs. John Russ. Mrs. Thomas is Choctaw County's representative on the regional board.

The Twentieth Century Club of Ackerman spearheaded the library. The Library Committee, with Mrs. McNeil as chairman, is working to make the new library in Ackerman as attractive a place as possible.

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Arty or Crafty

Forty-six persons exhibited 93 articles in the ninth annual Coahoma County Arts Show at the Carnegie Public Library in Clarksdale in November. Interests of exhibitors and types of creations displayed were as varied as an arts and crafts show could hope for.

Welcome Librarians:

Mrs. Roy Henderson of Meridian is acting children's librarian in that city until permanent personnel can be found.

Mrs. A. H. Brown is the Durant branch librarian in the Holmes County setup.

Mrs. Louise B. Meek is not a new staff member, but a returnee, as the circulation assistant at Grenada County Library.

Elizabeth Murrall is the librarian at the newly opened Negro Branch Library in Lake, part of the Capital Area Regional Library.

Mrs. Ruth Chapman is the branch librarian at Terry, part of the Capital Area Regional Library.

Mrs. Becky Gannaway has been appointed assistant in the reference department, First Regional Library in Hernando.

Harold Jaudon is the bookmobile driver and circulation assistant for the First Regional Library in Hernando.

Mrs. Elizabeth Sullivan Fletcher, formerly of Hattiesburg, has accepted the position of bookmobile librarian in the Gulfport library.

Helen Cecil, formerly of Hot Springs Arkansas, is the Business and Technology Librarian at the Jackson Municipal Library.

Amy Merritt Ajax, born November 1, 1956—a recruit for the library profession (we hope)—born to Cataloger Bettye Ajax of the Northeast Regional Library in Corinth.



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Anona Jenkins, Librarian, Clarksdale Carnegie Library, shown hanging one of the thirty paintings on exhibit November 7-November 21 at the 9th Annual Coahoma County Arts and Crafts Exhibit at the Library.

Slow-Building Program

John Hall Jacobs of New Orleans has been retained by Board of Trustees to make a study of building needs and location for Meridian in preparation for planning a new main building (and a badly need one). He has made one visit to Meridian and will get to work on his study this month.

New light fixtures will shed more and brighter light at the Lee County Library.

The Brandon Branch Library is now housed in a building behind Watson's Grocery.

By using modern selling techniques, the East Orange, New Jersey, has become the liveliest place in town. Very readable is the account of their selling job in the November issue of Reader's Digest. A reprint of this entertaining buy "meaty" article can be had from the Mississippi Library Commission.

Display

What's your bulletin board I.Q.? Is your library display conscious? Maria Person of Gulfport admits the power of bulletin board publicity. During the recent presidential campaign, her display was a red, white, and blue query "What's your Political I.Q.?" and here's the success story:

Books displayed were a wide variety of biography, White House description or history, histories of the political parties and some of the more philosophic things on history and politics.

"I admit," admitted Maria, "that I was rather cynical as I put it up—that because these things interested me was no sign they would interest the public! That is where I was wrong! Every time I wanted to recommend a book along that line, it would be out. I thought the interests of men (some lawyers who never read a book from the library) women and young people were amazing this year."

"Businessmen need the library. Library service to business and industry is a demand which all rapidly growing cities must meet," says Helen Cecil.

newly appointed Director of the Business and Technology department at the Jackson Municipal Library. Her appointment has been announced by Judge Leon Hendrick, Chairman of the Library Board.

Miss Cecil, who will direct an expanded science and business program, holds a library certificate from Florida State University. She comes to Jackson from the business and science division of the Birmingham, Alabama, Public Library.

"The Jackson library already has a good collection in such fields as accounting, real estate, insurance, architecture, geology and salesmanship," observed Miss Cecil. "There is also a special collection on personal estate planning."

According to Librarian Pearl Sneed, Jackson library will have a greatly expanded technical department. She said, "It is gratifying to have a permanent staff member who is so well qualified in the field. We have been serving businessmen for years and hope soon to be serving engineers, scientists and technicians as well."

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"Firsts"

At Lee County Library, "firsts" for 1956:

- A Readers Adviser for guidance of individuals and organizations.
- Library service for the Blind, with a circulation of 176 Braille and talking books to 26 persons.
- A Teen-Age Book Club to challenge teenagers in their summer reading and to prove that book discussions are fun.
- A Crafts Exhibit displaying the works of Negroes in the Strange Branch.
- A Discussion Clinic to train club and civic leaders in discussion techniques.

At Clarksdale Carnegie Library 2 "firsts" for 1956:

- Television sets were donated to the Main Library and its Myrtle Hall Branch. Anonymous givers are mainly interested in the "Streamlined English" course for adults over Memphis Channel 10, WKNO-TV. Let's teach Johnny's Daddy to read—and use the Library!
- A long-play record player with several sets of ear-phones.



Teaching Johnny's Daddy to read is the "Streamlined English" course for adults now being taught by television at the Clarksdale Carnegie Public Library and at its Myrtle Hall Branch for Negroes. The program comes from the Educational Television Station WKNO in Memphis.



Virginia Cauthen, a member of the Clarksdale Carnegie Library staff is shown demonstrating a new long-play record player, complete with several sets of earphones, to two college students.

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Reservations have been made for the entire membership of the East Tupelo Club to tour foreign countries during the year. Club members, sponsored by the Lee County Library, will travel by arm chair as a part of an adult education program.

"I have always wanted to travel," said one member who seemed to express the sentiments of the club, "but I have never been out of the state of Mississippi."

So far the members have shared a Caribbean Cruise and a trip to Central America which emphasized Guatemala, with Manie Berry. They have enjoyed a tour of the Orient and the East with Mrs. W. C. Matthews. Maps and products of the countries were used on these trips to add interest. Places of note, social life and customs and religion were studied.

Future trips to France, England and Germany have been scheduled. Other countries will follow.

A valuable part of each trip is the discussion period with question and answers which follow.

Port Gibson adults are enthusiastic over the study of Nobel Prize winners and their work. The study group is sponsored by the Harriette Person Memorial Library.

Volunteers from Home Demonstration Clubs around Macon are writing brief reviews of new books. The reviews are printed in the local paper's Library Column. Good publicity for the library and intellectual first aid for the club women!

The Clarksdale Carnegie Public Library is most ambitious in adult education on programming. On October 22 Rabbi Alexander Kline began a tenyear series of lectures surveying the history of civilization through a study of the art of all ages. These lectures begin in October and close in May. Rabbi Kline, who last year completed

nine years of weekly talks on the history of art, started his cycle again on a wider scope, employing more history and culture. The current season will cover five ancient cultures: The Cradles of Civilization in Babylon, Egypt, Israel, Greece, and Rome. The series will be an outline-lavishly illustrated with pictures, films, and slides depicting ancient history - covering all branches of culture: literature, drama, religion, architecture, sculpture, and painting. Although the lectures are all part of the continuous series, each lecture also can be enjoyed as a unit in itself by the occasional visitor. All lectures are held on Monday nights at 7:45 p.m. and are free to the public. Visiting librarians also welcome.



Mississippiana

What do you think of Mississippi? Have you ever wondered what a new-comer librarian thought? Here's what Helen Cecil, recent graduate of Florida State University Library School and native of Hot Springs, Arkansas, has to say:

"Mississippi impresses me as being a beautiful state from the rich lands of its Delta to the shores of the Gulf. Its mild climate provides a long period of growth for both flowers and agricultural products. The state is further enriched by the petroleum which lies beneath its soil.

"Jackson stands as the crossroad to many of the principal cities of the South. It is a progressive city with many modern and beautiful buildings and wide roads and streets. There are many fine colleges, hospitals, and parks in Jackson. Its people are hospitable and proud of their southern traditions and heritage. They participate in and encourage many cultural activities. Jackson is a rapidly growing city and with increasing industrialization can expect an even more prosperous future. I am anticipating the pleasure of watching its progress."

Merger

The best news at the Ada Sessions Fant Memorial Library is that the book collection of the Harold Gibson Brown Memorial Library is now being processed and is merged with the library. We will be writing more about that when it is all completed.

New books should be available To patrons' pleas and begs But, Staff should find them, too, we think,

And not like Easter eggs.

Grace B. Spear



Helen Cecil

Books for Blind

Poe's Short Stories and Franklin's Autobiography, both talking books, were rushed from the Lee County Library to a school bus going to Itawamba Junior College in Fulton. These books, and others to follow, will make it possible for a blind student to study the books required for a course in literature at the college. Suggested lists of books are sent by the instructor to the Lee County Library.

Corinth's Pilot Club and Tippah County's Chalybeate Woman's Club are cooperating with the Northeast Regional Library in starting a Books for the Blind project. The project will soon be extended to Prentiss and Tishomingo Counties.

Nice to see the fruit of the fine program on Books for the Blind at the 1955 Mississippi Library Association meeting.

MY FLIGHT (To Europe and Back)

Elenora Gralow, Librarian Fisk Public Library

Almost invariably, the first question that people ask about my trip to Europe is "how could you afford it?" And yet these people own cars, TVs and airconditioning units. A trip to Europe costs much less than a car. Put off buying a new car and you, too, may fly to Europe for four weeks!

Our trip started from Jackson, where we left by plane for New York, arriving in the morning and leaving that afternoon on a Pan American flight to Vienna. The plane was extremely comfortable and the service excellent. I suppose you might say the flight over was uneventful since we did not fall into the ocean, but everything about the trip from the stewardess's explanation of how to inflate the life jacket to flying into the sunrise was thrilling and fascinating. Our first sight of Europe was at Prestwick, Scotland, where the plane landed after the ocean crossing. The fields were green and neat, the weather cold, although it was the end of July. Continuing on from there we were in Vienna in a few hours. While we were going through a very superficial customs inspection, they called the plane for Istanbul. It was so fantastic that every minute I expected to wake up, because only yesterday I had been in New York. Don't let any one tell you that Vienna has become the city of rock and roll. We wandered through its old, little winding streets in the evening and we could hear the people in their own cafes and coffee houses singing and talking. These were not the regular tourist haunts and I assure you the music was not rock and roll. We accidentally found a little coffee house (not on the tourist list) where no one spoke English but there was a delightful old waiter there who brought us picture magazines to look at and served us hot

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chocolate with gobs of whip cream and the most heavenly pastries in the world. Every evening after that we went by and never saw another foreigner in there. Vienna itself was very, very shabby with blocks and blocks of bombed out buildings. The people looked poor but were smiling and gracious. One afternoon we told a cab driver to take us to the Danube, although we carefully explained to him that we knew the Danube was not blue. He informed us that the Danube would be blue that day. I wondered if they were putting bluing in the water as a special tourist attraction, but it seems that on a clear, bright afternoon the color of the sky is reflected in the water. Since the day was bright, the Danube was blue. I have a colored picture to prove

From Vienna we flew to Paris. All the things you have ever heard about the beauty of Paris are true. I did not find the charm there that I found in Vienna but the beauty was unexcelled anywhere. Leaving Paris on the Blue Train, the luxury express to the Riviera gave us our first experience on a Continental train. It was just like all the TV and movies you have ever seen.

There were many discomforts as there always are in traveling but the sights, sounds, even smells make every moment an experience to be remembered.

The whole trip took a little over four weeks. Aside from the countries I have mentioned, we went to the South of France and drove along the Riviera to Genoa, then through the Hill Towns to Assisi and Milan. Milan, a highly industrialized city, was the only place where anyone said anything nice about Americans. We were shown

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(Continued from Page 155) where the Marshall Plan money had gone to rebuild the town which was almost levelled during the war. However, their exquisite cathedral was not hit and stands as a monument to the Norden Bomb Sight. In Venice we did all the things that the tourists do and it lived up to every expectation. It really out Hollywood's Hollywood. Florence, it seemed to me, was Shangri-La-that is until I saw Switzerland. In Germany we took a boat from Mayence down the Rhine to Cologne, a day's trip. From there we went to Holland, then flew to Brussels and London. One day we spent at Stratford, Charlecote, and Warrick Castle. On our last afternoon we went to the Tower of London to view the Crown Jewels. That evening we left London by Pan American and arrived in New York the next morning. That afternoon we took the subway and ferry out to Staten Island to see the Statue of Liberty first hand and got lost on the subway.

I do not know which was my most interesting experience, but my most unusual and nerve tingling one was the day I was standing on the platform of an Italian train which had stopped in a station. A woman got on the train and asked me to hold her baby for After practically thrusting the child in my arms, she got off the train. saying she would be back. I had heard stories of how mothers abandoned their babies to rich (?) Americans. The baby cried lustily. Everybody that came by spoke to the child and me (in Italian). The child still cried and I protested to them each time (in English) that the baby did not belong to me. The mother finally returned with voluble thanks. She just didn't know how thankful I was!

I think I learned and absorbed more in those four weeks than I did in a year of college. I am sure I have a greater understanding of the people of Europe. I can understand why they do not love us, nor even like us, as a nation. One European said to me that Americans are spoiled. I asked him what was wrong with being comfortable when you could.

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As our news indicates school librarians are very busy people these days.

A good number of school librarians were in attendance at MLA, October 25-27. Saturday was "school library" day. It began with a breakfast meeting in the Gold Room of the Edwards Hotel with Susie Bull, Lee High School, Columbus, presiding. Other officers who were at this meeting were Clara Chamberlain, vice-president, and Mrs. Merry Thomas, secretary-treasurer.

After breakfast the business meeting was held. This consisted of appointing a Mississippi Materials Committee, which will make a list of Mississippi material that is available and suitable for school libraries. This list will be ready for distribution in March. A nominating committee was also appointed to present a slate of new officers during MEA next spring. At the end of the business meeting the school librarians joined the College Section to hear Mrs. Sara Verner from the University of Alabama speak on The Rare Book Room.

Later that morning there was a panel on bookbinding, with John Hall Jacobs as moderator. Virgil Gentilin, Ralph Evans, and A. L. Hendrick represented publishers and prebinders. Sybil Hanna, Alan Skelton, Mrs. Mary Jo Magee, and Mrs. Mary Packwood represented librarians.

Look What We're Doing!

Annabelle Koonce Crowther writes from the Carr Central Junior High School in Vicksburg, "We're been busy getting in new books and just getting the year going. During the day the amount of work student assistants can do is limited. In our case the back numbers of magazines needed straightening and labeling. Many hands make light work, so we decided to have a crew of students to work on it at the same time. All those who can stay after school on the appointed day, work on whatever task is assigned. They can have a good time talking and laughing as they work. Then when things begin to reach the point of diminishing returns, we have cokes, cookies and potato chips. And do they eat! When I saw the number who came the first time, I thought that we wouldn't need all the refreshments. Was I wrong! They ate everything in sight. They are asking now when the next work party will be. We will work on other projects from time to time.

The plans for the new high school building here in Vicksburg include a luscious library. It will have gobs of work, conference and browsing space. Pretty draperies will be included..."

Flash! Eunice Eley is back from Europe. Her address is 633 North Congress Street, Jackson.

LIVING OR JUST EXISTING What About Your School Library?

Alice Hamer, School Library Supervisor

State Department of Education

There are two African violets in my apartment which survived the transfer from Emory University to Jackson. In the beginning they were of the same vintage, with the same scientific care. Today one of them is a thrifty plant with luxuriant foliage and showers of pink blossoms. Beside it, the second plant presents a picture of arrested growth or slow decline with its drooping, anemic leaves and non-existant buds or blooms.

Because the first plant almost advertises "I LIVE AND BREATHE," it is a window gardener's delight. However, the second plant has taken up "squatter's rights," and it just EXISTS, being pushed into an inconspicuous corner, subject to neglect most of the time.

Looking at these two plants, I wondered today if they did not illustrate all too clearly two types of school libraries. And so I thought of the libraries represented by the second plant —school libraries which just seem to EXIST because a library is necessary for meeting school accreditation.

Quite frequently the physical facilities comply with the top standards; the furniture may be new and the envy of all; the lighting is excellent; the book collection may be termed "adequate" and the librarian has at least the minimum hours of library science.

But in spite of these things, something vital is missing. Like the drooping violet, the library does not show signs of breathing or living. How seldom the superintendent invites a visitor to the library, and rarely, if ever, does he boast that the "library is the heart of the school." One is not surprised to find the faculty make little use of this part of the school, and the students, even less. I can almost see

the sign plastered across the door: Stu "Squatter's rights."

Far lovelier to gaze upon and worthy of appreciation are the libraries exemplified by the vigorous plant. These libraries are LIVING AND BREATH-ING organizations within the school, and even in the community.

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Oftentimes the "physical walls" lack much to be desired. Crowded schools may have resulted in the library's having been transferred to a former auditorium or gymnasium — temporary quarters until the new building is an actuality. But healthy library attitudes and atmosphere surmount these walls, extending into the farthest corner of the school. Even over-populated library-study hall situations are overcome.

The book collection is not termed "adequate." It is worthwhile and much sought after. The books wear out from constant use. With such demand for books and for the information and entertainment through books, there could never be a large enough book budget.

Within this library there is color and light. There are attractive bulletin boards and displays, changed periodically. Student assistants are a valuable factor to the library administration, and applicants for the positions outnumber the needs of the library. There is cooperation with the faculty and student groups in the library activities. Teachers come there to do their research, and their students come before and after them. The librarian is trained, and she makes use of her training.

Walking into this library, one feels its pulse, a throbbing yet steady sound. Everyone knows this library LIVES AND BREATHES. Little wonder visitors to the school find the library being displayed and bragged about by the superintendent, the principal, the teachers, the students and the parents.

Which type of library have you in your school? Is it LIVING AND BREATHING, or has it taken up "squatter's rights?"

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Regional student assistant meetings have begun. The Delta Library Assistants Club met with Clarksdale High School on Saturday, September 29. Eight schools were represented: Clarksdale, Skene, Charleston, Greenville, Cleveland, Shelby, Sunflower Junior College and Yazoo City (St. Clara Academy).

"The Challenge for the Future with Books" was the address given by Rev. W. L. Wallace, Jr. of St. John's Methodist Church, Greenwood. The Rev. E. Lucian Malone, rector of St. George's Episcopal Church of Clarksdale, gave the invocation. The student library assistants were welcomed by Mr. Robert M. Mayo, superintendent of Clarksdale City Schools and Mr. J. M. Bennett, principal of the high school. "Selected numbers" were presented by the Girls' Ensemble, under the direction of Mr. Leonard Metts. Mr. Metts presented several selections. Sue Dismuke of Clarksdale, president of DLAC, and S. F. Clark of Webb and Brookhaven, president of the librarians' division, presided. Alice Hamer, state library supervisor, was introduced to group. At the conclusion of the meeting the group toured the Carnegie Public Library with sponsorship by Anona Jenkins, librarian.

Officers elected for the 1956-57 year are: Jim Hurdle of Shelby, president; Lucille Longino of Clarksdale, vice-president; Jo Ann Luckett of Yazoo City, secretary-treasurer; Carolyn Rowland of Charleston, reporter; and Ora Bizzell of Shelby, sponsor.

Officers of the librarians' division include: Josephine Frazier of Clarksdale, president; Mrs. Carl G. McFarland of Greenville, vice-president; Mrs. Mabel Dorsett of Charleston, secretary; Minnie Gates of Skene, treasurer; and Maurine McInnis of Moorhead, reporter.

The Delta Library Assistants Club would like to express its appreciation to S. F. Clark for his tireless work. He

was one of the organizers of the DLAC and has served it faithfully as president.

Region VII of student assistants met November 3 at Pearl River Junior College in Poplarville. Joe Cook, Gulfport, president of the student assistants, presided at the joing meeting. Annelle Stewart of Poplarville gave the devotion. R. L. Jchnson, registrar of Pearl River, welcomed the group.

Mildred James was elected president of the librarians; Frank Reynolds, Home High School, was elected vice president; and Mrs. Word Guild, Long Beach, was secretary-treasurer. Mrs. Esco Smith, Lyman, is sponsor of the student group.

Student assistants of Region VI met at Northwest Junior College, Senatobia, November 6. Beverly Brooks of Byhalia presided. The schools represented were Horn Lake, Byhalia, Olive Branch, Batesville and Potts Camp. A program of skits, pantomines and songs were presented.

Alice Hamer made an announcement of the state meeting of student library assistants.

Saturday, November 17, was the real red letter day for student assistants and librarians. There were 74 schools, represented by more than 400 students and 74 librarians at the fourth annual meeting of SLAM which met at Central High School auditorium in Jackson.

At the first general session Betty Lynn Jones, student president of Hollandale, presided. There was an excellent program with Dr. Guy T. Gillespie, President Emeritus of Belhaven giving the invocation, followed by music led by Central High School Gold Notes. Sue Beth Collins, Vice-President, presented the guest speaker, who was Margarete Peebles of Mississippi State College. She spoke on "Future Librarians." All the students then went to group meetings which were conducted by various librarians.

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At the second general session the Hollandale High School presented a skit. At the business session which followed the following officers were elected:

Anna Margaret Majure, Utica, president; Jim Hurdle, Shelby, vice-president, Norma Branch, Brookhaven, secretary; June Fleming, Forest Hill, treasurer; Beverly Ingram, Hollandale, reporter.

The librarians' group heard a panel on library relationships presented by school administrators. Supt. Carl Wilson of Crosby served as moderator with Supt. L. C. Taylor, Crystal Springs; W. L. Marsh, principal of Greenwood High School; J. A. Carpenter of Mississippi State College; and Charles Holladay, principal of Central High School, Jackson, as panel members. Clara Chamberlain, librarian at Natchez High School, arranged the panel and summarized the session.

The Donald Dana Award in the annual scrapbook contest was won by Clarksdale High School, senior award; and Ellisville Junior High School, junior award.

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Central High School, Jackson, lost Mrs. Virginia Riggs to Hinds Junior College. Mrs. Francis O. Dunkin is now librarian at Central.

Mrs. Elise Coker is the new librarian at Columbia High School, taking the place of Mrs. Jennie Beth Clark who is now at Louisiana State University.

We welcome Eugenia Mauldin back to Mississippi. She received her M.S. degree in Library Science from the University of Illinois this summer. She has also served as teaching assistant in the University of Illinois Library School. She is now serving as librarian of Corinth High School.

Mrs. Mildred Hale McLarty is the new librarian at Quitman High School.

The new librarian at Rolling Fork is Mrs. Emily Sharpshire.

Katharine Coward is the librarian at Ruleville.

Mrs. Catherine Harvey is serving as librarian at Tylertown High School.

The most exciting news for libraries since the passage of the Library Services Act is the establishment of the Council on Library Resources, Inc., financed by a \$5,000,000 grant from the Ford Foundation, and headed by Verner W. Clapp, chief assistant librarian of Congress until his appointment as president and executive head of this new enterprise.

Overall purpose of the Council will be to improve the extent and use of library services and resources.

Apologies from the Editor for the absence of a volume index in this issue. The time and space ran out.

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Josephine Frazier, Librarian, Clarksdale High School, writes, "The Annual Book Week Tea was held on November 28. At this tea the parents of the library assistants and faculty are honored. New books were displayed. As a special project for Book Week the club fixed bulletin board displays for the teachers, featuring Book Week posters and streamers. The club was also responsible for a Book Week assembly program."

Mrs. Warren Smith, Librarian, Yazoo City High School, reports, "Our library is brand new. It is very modern with a color scheme of yellow and orange with blond furnishings. We are very proud of our new library and also of the 2,400 new books.

"To advertise our new books we take several to each study group the last period of the day to be examined and checked out by the students there. In the future we plan to have book reviews in the study groups to arouse interest in our new books. We have already had two such reviews—short "book taster" talks about five or six

books at the time. Each time the students checked out the books immediately.

"A course in library science has just been taught to 134 freshmen of our school. Each student who participated in this course turned in a poster or a project of some sort. Many very useful posters and projects were handed in and we will use them throughout the year to advertise our books."

Mrs. Carl G. McFarland, Librarian, Greenville High School, writes, "Our library club is working on three projects that I think may be of interest. We are divided into three groups and each of these groups is handling one of the projects. The projects are: (1) Book week plans and activities. (2) Large signs to direct library users to the various sections of the library. (3) Attractively illustrated and lettered covers in which to place book jackets so that students may select the books which they want to read.

I have sixteen student assistants this year, and I am very much pleased with the work they are doing. They certainly keep me on my toes, too!

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Special Libraries Section Organized

The big news this quarter in the special libraries field is the organization of a Special Libraries Section of the Mississippi Library Association at its recent annual meeting in Jackson. Officers elected at the organizational meeting were: Chairman, Louise Williams, Librarian Mississippi State Board of Health Library; Vice-Chairman in charge of program and project planning, Alan G. Skelton, Waterways Experiment Station, Vicksburg; Secretary, Irene Graham, University Medical Center Library; Membership, Beatrice Ford, Waterways Experiment Station, Vicksburg. Others present at the meeting were three librarians from Waterways Experiment Station, Mrs. Flinn of the Greenville Air Force Base Library, Jean Gunter of the Department of Public Welfare Library, and Mrs. Ruth Baxter and Martha Howard of the VA Library, Jackson.

Special libraries are those built around special subjects and usually serve a limited clientele. Their function is to put knowledge to work and to develop broader appreciation and understanding of the special field served. It is believed that discussions among the special librarians will prove both interesting and profitable, and it is hoped that this section will grow into as large and effective an organization as Mississippi's possibilities will allow.

bership in the Mississippi Library Association is the only prerequisite for membership in the Special Libraries Section, so join M.L.A. now, if you have not already done so, and become a member of our section, which we hope is going to wield much influence in the greater development of library work in Mississippi.

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are invited is the winter meeting of the Louisiana Chapter of the Special Libraries Association, to which many of our Mississippi special librarians belong. The research Center Library of the Waterways Experiment Station in Vicksburg is host library for this occasion which promises to be a very interesting one. The time is January 5, 1957. Sessions will begin at 11 A. M. The Station, although not officially open on Saturday, has put its facilities at the disposal of the Chapter, and lunch will be served in the cafeteria there. Following this, there will be a tour of the Station, and for those interested a tour of the National Park and Cemetery may be possible. Reasonable accommodations may be had at one of Vicksburg's new and modern motor hotels.

This is an opportunity for a real get-together to share problems and discussions of common interest to special librarians, and it is hoped that Mississippi will be well represented.

Mississippi Scores

The Keesler Library was fortunate in being able to have Authur C. Clarke lecture on the Base on November 14. Mr. Clarke, whose subject was "The Path to the Planets," expressed himself after the lecture as being delighted with the audience response, impressed by the intelligence shown in the questions asked, and greatly pleased with his reception in Mississippi. We don't know what his preconceived idea of Mississippi was, but his tone of voice implied he had certainly had to change his opinion! We felt he had gained a real respect and genuine liking for our state, and that he would take back abroad with him a good word for the Deep South.

A Mississippi librarian received recognition in a recent issue of the Library Journal when Alan G. Skelton, Head of the Research Center Library at Vicksburg, published his article on catalog card reproduction by Addressograph.

Common Interests and Problems

It is true that the organization of this Special Libraries Section of the M.L.A. will give Mississippi's special librarians an opportunity for sharing their common interests and problems. but we are overlooking an equally excellent opportunity here in the Mississippi Library News. The News reaches librarians who may never be able to attend any meetings but who also have good ideas, like interests, and similar problems. Don't wait for a notice that it's time to send items in to the News; you may be too busy then to write. (Notice the dearth of news from the special libraries in the last two issues!) Send in your news, ideas, problems, as time permits; make use of this invaluable medium of exchange.

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TRUSTEES SECTION MEETING Mrs. C. C. Clark

Approximately one hundred trustees met for a two-hour session on Friday afternoon, October 26 during the Convention of the Mississippi Library Association. An overall look at the Library Services Act was presented by Miss Julia Bennett, Director of the ALA Washington, D. C. Office; Mrs. E. B. Nash, a past chairman of the Library Board of Commissioners; and Robert Wood, Field Representative of the Mississippi Library Commission. Small discussion groups were formed to pose questions that were asked of a panel of resource people composed of the three mentioned above, plus Manie Berry, Readers Advisor for the Lee County Library and Mrs. Lura G. Currier, Director of the Mississippi Library Commission. The following article will evaluate the trustees meeting, and document some of the findings resulting from a questionnaire sent to trustees attending the meeting.

"What was said there will not long be remembered, but what was done could well give direction for cooperation in securing better library service and more of it in Mississippi." The willingness of busy citizens, who serve their libraries as trustees, to come together to talk about libraries was the significant accomplishment.

Some of the weaknesses of the meeting were apparent. For example, the time allotted was entirely too short in light of the wide scope of interest dealt with. The lack of background information on the part of the trustees, the inability of providing that background in so short a while, and the variety of library philosophies represented in the group served to make of the meeting just a"teaser." However, if this first meeting, with all its weaknesses, can serve as a foundation for more and better ones in the future, to call it a "minor success" is justified. Trustees are willing to work hard at their jobs and that in itself is success.

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Many questions went unanswered, many went unasked. The evaluations from the trustees had to be omitted because of time limitations. Because of this, a questionnaire was used as a follow-up procedure. Frank express of evaluations were asked for, and again the trustees gave proof of their sincerity in the thought given to the questionnaires. Many of the criticisms ("criticism" is used in its constructive connotation) are valid and will prove helpful not only in building better trustees programs, but for guidance in extending library service. Some of the criticisms indicated the need for clarification. A great value of the questionnaire could be to the librarians, who might realize that more and better

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methods of interpretation, communication and public relations must be employed. One trustee made this observation, "I realize that we can set up an ideal, but we've got to start working where things actually are." Another said, "... a number... were more confused when they left than they were when they came." And again, "There seemed to be no realization of the fact that by combining resourses (multicounty units) a stronger system could be established that would be beneficial to all participating units."

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The four following questions were asked on the questionnaire: (1) What were your unanswered questions? (2) In what ways could the program have been improved? (3) Would this type of meeting have value if held in smaller geographical areas? and (4) What are the things you would like to talk about if a similiar meeting were held at the next convention? On the question No. 3, most all agreed that such meetings would have value if held in the smaller areas. The other three questions will be dealt with in more detail.

What Were Your Unanswered Questions?

"What provision if any is being made in the new program (use of Federal funds) for carrying out the slogan of the Library Commission—"to provide books for those who have no books?" "What is meant by regional libraries, viz: scope and method of operations?" "How can the Library Services Act be used for more and better service to Negroes—in areas of concentrated Negro population."

"Can two counties not adjoining join to form a regional set-up?"

"Can a library functioning well continue to function independently and still participate in the Federal funds?"
"Won't a multi-county system be taking from the strong to help the weak—where does the strong county stand to gain?"

In What Ways Could The Program Have Been Improved?

"More direct answers to questions."
"Use of terminology that was more familiar to the lay person."

"The luncheon program should have been closer tied in with the trustees interest and program emphasis."

"Could have supplied trustees with more information prior to the meeting so questions would have been more to the point."

"The table discussion leaders should have been better informed."

What Topics Would You Like To Talk About Next Year?

"Operations of local libraries and the duties and responsibilities of trustees." "Library programs for adults."

"Discussion of good public relations."
"How to set up the administrative mechanics of the library to allow more time for the librarian to be a librarian."
"Suggest that next year's discussion topics grow out of a poll of the trustees

"Plan to have such a meeting at least once a year to see how it works—conduct the meeting along the same lines of the one held this year—devote time to educating trustees as to their responsibility, the laws that govern them, the laws that protect them, etc."

one month prior to the meeting."

The Mississippi Library Commission and the Adult Education Committee of the Mississippi Library Association look forward to working with boards of trustees in their own counties or in combinations of counties in similiar types of discussion sessions. It takes the combined thinking of all people interested in libraries to make the wisest use of funds and personnel.

LET SMOKEY BEAR SPONSOR YOUR READING CLUB

Brigitte Kenney Mississippi Library Commission

A new kind of children's summer reading club is being planned for Mississippi libraries by the Mississippi Library Commission and the Mississippi Forestry Commssion. The central figure of the club will be SMOKEY BEAR, a bear dressed in ranger's clothes, which symbolizes conservation of our forests, forest fire prevention and conservation of wildlife. The Mississippi Forestry Commission will furnish all supplies needed for this club such as SMOKEY BEAR buttons, certificates, reading record cards, as well as promotional material for the libraries to use. Posters, booklets, blotters, as well as radio and newspaper stories, will be furnished to interested libraries for publicizing and carrying on this program.

The children will be required to read a certain number of books on forests, forestry, conservation, wildlife and forest fire prevention, although not all of their reading will have to be done in these fields. After participating to a satisfactory degree in the program, they may be given Junior Forest Ranger membership badges, and at the end of the program they will be given reading certificates indicating that they have successfully completed the program. When they join they will get SMOKEY BEAR buttons and reading record cards on which they list books read. A reading list will be compiled, including titles on forestry and related subjects, and the librarians are invited to write in suggestions for titles to be included in the list.

The only expense involved from the local library is a large chart, perhaps a tree or a fire tower, on which the children can pin their names-in the form of leaves or a miniature SMOKEY BEAR, which will show their progress in the reading program. A lot of things can be done in this program by the local librarian. She may invite the local forest ranger for the showing of films, which are available to him at any time, and for talks on conservation. An interested group of citizens or a civic club may sponsor a picnic or a fire fighting demonstration, a nature walk or a bird-watching excursion. The things to be done are limited only by your imagination.

At the pre-conference workshop of the Mississippi Library Association on October 25, 1956, Brigitte Kenney from the Commission staff and Mr. Louis Rowland, Educational Director of the Forestry Commission, were presented in an informal talk about the SMOKEY BEAR READING CLUB. At this time sample materials and information were distributed to the attending librarians and their comment was invited. Not too many of the memoranda have been returned so far and you are asked to return them as soon as possible if you are interested in this program, so that we may make early preparations for printing the materials. Those of you who did not get materials at the Convention have received kits via mail. We hope you will return the answer

This program can be very successful if you make use of the available help given to us so generously by the Forestry Commission. It is hoped that all of you will take advantage of this opportunity to have a really worthwhile reading program, which will be fun for the children besides.

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MISSISSIPPI AUTHORS

Compiled by Martha Couty, Reference Librarian Mississippi Library Commission

- BELL, CHARLES G. Delta return. University of Indiana Press, 1956. \$2.75

 Poetry, in which the author's trip to his Delta home brings back memories of his boyhood and causes reflections on his life.
- COHN, DAVID L. The fabulous Democrats; a history in text and pictures. Putnam, 1956. \$5.95

The life and times of King Cotton. Oxford, Nov. 8, 1956. \$5.00

- CROSTHWAIT, WILLIAM L. The last stitch. Lippincott, 1956. \$3.50

 Autobiography beginning with his boyhood in Northern Mississippi. Dr. Crosthwait now lives in Waco, Texas.
- DEAL, BORDEN Walk through the valley. Scribner, 1956. \$3.50

 The story of a hill farmer in a rural community of the South. The author is a native of Pontotoc.
- DONALD, DAVID Lincoln reconsidered. Knopf, 1956. \$3.50 Lincoln is reappraised in this collection of essays, differentiating between the real and legendary Lincoln.
- FAULKNER, WILLIAM Jealousy and episode. Faulkner Studies, 1955. \$2.75

 Two brief stories first published in the New Orleans Times Picayune in 1925.
- GENTRY, CLAUDE Kit Carson, Magnolia Publishers, Baldwyn, Miss., 1956. \$3.00 The story of the famous Indian scout.
- GREER, WINIFRED The unfair gods. Pageant Press, 1955. \$3.50

 First novel by a Jackson secretary about southern plantation life during the mid-19th century.
- HARRINGTON, EVANS B. The prisoners. Harper, 1956. \$3.00

 First novel about life in a southern prison. Born in Birmingham, the author came to Mississippi at an early age, and is now instructor in English at the University of Mississippi.

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HILBUN, BRUCE S. That ye may know. Exposition Press, 1956. \$2.50

A book of sermons by the pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, Mobile, who was born near Laurel.

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- HOLDEN, GENEVIEVE The velvet target. Doubleday, 1956. \$2.75

 The third mystery story by Mrs. Charles Pou, of Atlanta, formerly Genevieve Long of Tupelo.
- JARRATT, RIE Guitierrez de Lara. The author, Port Gibson, \$5.00
- MISSISSIPPI POETRY SOCIETY Lyric Mississippi; an anthology of selected poems. Vulcan Press, 1956. \$2.50
- PAYNE, JOAN BALFOUR Ambrose. Hastings House, 1956. \$2.75

 A small shaggy dog is the hero in Joan Balfour Payne's newest book for boys and girls. The author and artist, in private life Mrs. Ian Dicks, was born in Mississippi and now lives in Sewanee.
- PURCELL, LESLIE HARPER Miracle in Mississippi: Laurence C. Jones of Piney Woods. Comet Press Books, 1956. \$3.50
 Mrs. Purcell was born near Star, a few miles from the Piney Woods Country School and now lives in Florida.
- ROBERTSON, THOMAS, JR. The yellow canes. Steck, 1956. \$2.00 Children's book about the days when the French first occupied Fort Rosalie at Natchez. The author was born in Myrtle and now teaches at Vanderbilt.
- SMITH, VIRGINIA COX Woman alone around the world. Exposition Press, 1955. \$3.50
 A letter-journal of a grand tour around the globe, by a native of Escatawpa.
- SPENCER, ELIZABETH The voice at the back door. McGraw, 1956. \$3.95

 Tense and dramatic novel of a group of Mississippi citizens caught in a racial situation. The author was born in Carrollton, and now lives abroad.
- STREET, JAMES HOWELL Captain Little Ax. Lippincott, 1956. \$3.95 Novel of a 15 year old boy in the Civil War from Shiloh to Chickamauga.
- TAYLOR, WALTER FULLER The story of American letters. Henry Regnery, 1956. \$5.00
 - A one-volume history of American literature from earliest times to the present, by the Dean of Blue Mountain College.
- WILLIAMS, TENNESSEE In the winter of cities. New Directions, 1956. \$3.50 Formerly announced as Footprints of a little horse.

SOURCES OF ART EXHIBITS

Compiled by Ralph M. Hudson Director of Art. MSCW

- The Columbus Pilgrimage Association is circulating two sets of color slides illustrating ante-bellum homes and historic sites included in the Pilgrimage, April 3-7. They are available for cost of return postage. 20 slides will run 10-15 minutes, 45 slides, 25-30 minutes. Script accompanies slides. Schedule through Mrs. W. L. Jones, RFD 4, Columbus, Miss. List name of organization, area of interest, several choices of dates, length of program wanted.
- 2. Miss Grace Pickett, Studio Guild, Redding, Conn. (No fee)
- Mrs. Elden Rowland, Circuit Director, Florida Artist Group, Inc., P.O. Box 1907, Sarasota, Florida (Summer 1312 Fifth Avenue West, Hendersonville, N.C.) (Group shows of Florida artists, fees \$20, \$75)
- International Business Machines Corp.; Fine Arts Dept., 590 Madison Ave., New York 22, N.Y.; Mr. Tom D. Jones, Director. (Exhibits and transportatation of units from IBM permanent collections are free)
- Smithsonian Institution, Traveling Exhibition Service, Washington 25, D. C.;
 Mrs. John A. Pope, Chief, Traveling Exhibition Service. (Art exhibitions with fees from \$35)
- Museum of Modern Art, Dept. of Circulating Exhibitions, 11 West 53 St., New York 19, N.Y., (Over 2 dozen exhibits, \$50 and up)
- American Federation of Arts, Extension Services, 1083 Fifth Ave., New York 28, N.Y. (60 shows, fees \$25 to \$800. (A.F.A. also circulates Metropolitan Museum of Art (NYC) and Life Magazine photographic exhibits)
- Alabama Water Color Society, Circuit Exhibition, Birmingham Museum of Art, Miss Belle Comer. Small fee.
- George Binet Print Collection, Brimfield, Mass. Fee: \$40-\$60 for print exhibits.
- Art Center, 1020 Lake Shore Drive, Chicago 11, Ill. Mrs. Borden Stevenson, Director. (Circulating Exhibit of 47 Western Printmakers, about 140 prints. Moderate fee)
- International Graphic Arts Society, Inc., 65 West 65th St., New York 19, N.Y. (Graphic Arts travel show of IGAS Prints)
- 12. American Junior Red Cross. International Children's Art Exhibit. (Information probably available from Local Red Cross Chapter)
- 13. American Institute of Architects. See local members for name and address of state chapter officer who have information on photographic travel show.
- 14. One man and group shows of Mississippi and mid-South artists. Contact local Art Associations such as Meridian and Greenwood, Miss.; Mississippi Art Association, 829 North State St., Jackson, Miss.; Allison Art Colony (Mrs. John E. Fontaine, Allison's Wells, Way, Miss.); Art Departments in the various state colleges. Note: Additions to this list are solicited, such as hobby collections and book novelties that may be available for exchange exhibition.

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PUBLIC LIBRARIAN'S EYEVIEW OF SOUTHEASTERN

Turner Cassity, Associate Librarian Jackson Municipal Library

SELA convention took its character from that estimable pleasure dome, the Roanoke Hotel—relaxed, efficient, forward looking. One could not escape a sense of stability, ambition, and—let us be frank—prosperity.

As a public librarian and a confirmed urbanite, I was pleasantly jarred to find evidence of so much activity among regional and small town libraries. If that sounds patronizing, it is because this writer fears that unless the metropolitan libraries keep pace, the hinterlands will be condescending to us.

Since the proceedings of the meetings are a matter of record in the minute books, let us dwell instead upon the extra curricular activities. Homage to Roanoke Public Library for its highly enjoyable reception, to President Nancy Day for keeping things in motion, and to the Virginia Library Association for its careful attention to the details of shuttling eight hundred people through unfamiliar territory.

Credit is also due the exhibitors for their highly illuminating displays and equally illuminating parties.

In the midst of the broad 'a' and 'about the hoose' country, it was a comfort to find so many Mississippians on hand. In positions of power were Mary Love, president of MLA, and Sybil Hanna, in charge of the meeting of children's librarians, and Mrs. F. E. Gilliland, trustee of the Carnegie Public Library in Clarksdale, a member of the panel which discussed "Pressure groups and libraries" at the meeting of the Trustees' Section.

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ALA Rules Revised

The Library of Congress and the American Library Association are cooperating in the revision of the ALA Rules for Author and Title Entries, it has been announced by ALA Headquarters in Chicago. At the recommendation of the ALA Division of Cataloging and Classification. Seymour Lubetzky, LC Specialist in Bibliographic and Cataloging Policy, was recently named to work under the guidance of the ALA Code Revision Committee as editor. Mr. Lubetzky will prepare a draft of the revised code for consideration and discussion, and will edit the final results for publication by the ALA.

Mrs. Orcena Mahoney, Executive Secretary of the ALA Division of Cataloging and Classification, explained the significance of the work:

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"Librarians in the United States and throughout the world will welcome the news that the ALA Rules for Author and Title Entries is to be revised to meet changing concepts of library procedure," she said, "Dissatisfaction with the current rules brought about studies by the ALA-DCC Code Revision Committee which have resulted in the agreement between the Library of Congress and the American Library Association to try to produce a code that will be generally acceptable to the profession. ALA is pleased to announce that Seymour Lubetzky is to help with this important project by serving as editor."

The ALA expects to publish the revised work when it is completed.

You Ought to Write a Book About It

Books by professors, sportsmen, "artistes."

Criminals, scientists, journalists, priests, Actors and actresses, travelers, climbers

Athletes, and deadbeats, and horrible rhymers.

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Arthur P. Sweet, Acquisitions Librarian Cornell University Library Ithaca. New York



COOPERATIVE PRACTICES AMONG PUBLIC LIBRARIES

The Public Libraries Division of the American Library Association announces publication of the THE PLD REPORTER, No. 5, titled Cooperative Practices Among Public Libraries.

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Available now from the ALA Publishing Department (\$2.25; or \$1.85 on series order) the 70-page publication was prepared with the cooperation of the PLD Library Extension Section under the chairmanship of Verna Nistendirk, Florida State Library, Tallahassee, Florida.

Miss Nistendirk said:

"This practical guide was inspired by the revised standards for public libraries, 'Public Library Service' which set forth as its 'most important single recommendation' the cooperative approach on the part of libraries. In this PLD REPORTER are detailed descriptions of cooperation in action and we believe every public librarian should study them in the light of the new standards and his own library situation."

Included are 27 narrative examples of 12 different kinds of library cooperation, giving details of actual library programs which cover reciprocal borrowers' privileges, interlibrary loans, cooperative book evaluation and selection plans, centralized purchasing of books and supplies, cooperative purchase and use of books and supplies, union catalogs, centralized cataloging, rotation and exchange of materials, cooperative consultant service, planned referrals, cooperative publicity, and duplication of catalog cards.

In addition, there is a Directory of Cooperative Practices in Libraries; and a Bibliography with annotations prepared by Rose Vainstein, Head, Extension Department, Gary (Ind.) Public Library.

Introducing the narratives are special articles by Dr. Robert D. Leigh, Dean, School of Library Service, Columbia University; Gretchen Knief Schenk, Summerdale, Alabama; Carol Trimble, formerly Head Librarian, Yakima Valley Regional Library, Yakima, Wash.; Florence E. Harshe, Chief of Advisory Service, New York State Retional Library Service Center, Watertown, N.Y.; and Mrs. Lura G. Currier, Director, Mississippi Library Commission, Jackson, Miss.

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Attala County Library	Kosciusko	Mrs. Beulah N. Gilliland, Lbn.
Biloxi Public Library	Biloxi	Miss Florence Freidhoff, Lbn.
Canton Public Library	Canton	Mrs. T. C. Beacham, Lbn.
Capital Area Regional Library	Raymond	Mr. Walter Wicker, Director
Carnegie Public Library	Clarksdale	Miss Anona Jenkins, Lbn.
City-County Memorial Library.	Bay St. Louis	Miss Louise Crawford, Lbn.
Clarke County Library	Quitman	Mrs. Cora B. Brewer, Lbn.
Cleveland Public Library	Cleveland	Mrs. F. A. Howell, Lbn.
Columbus & Lowndes County Library	Columbus	Mrs. Alice Dwyer, Lbn.
Copiah County Library	Hazlehurst	Mrs. Mary E. Miller, Lbn.
Crystal Springs Public Library		Lbn.
Drew Public Library	Drew	Mrs. Myrtle McFarland, Lbn.
Evans Memorial Library	Aberdeen	Miss Lucille Peacock, Lbn.
First Regional Library	Hernando	Mrs. Ross Williams, Director
Fisk Public Library	Natchez	Miss Elenora Gralow, Lbn.
George County Library	Lucedale	Mrs. Alma G. Lumpkin, Lbn.
Greenwood-Leflore Public Library	Greenwood	Miss Dorothy Hayes, Lbn.
Grenada County Library	Grenada	Miss Elizabeth Jones, Lbn.
Gulfport Carnegie-Harrison County Library	Gulfport	Miss Maria F. Person, Lbn.
Harriette Person Memorial Library	Port Gibson	Miss Margaret A. Guthrie,
Hattiesburg Public Library	Hattiesburg	
Holmes County Library	Durant	Miss Georgie McIntyre, Lbn.
Houston Carnegie Library	Houston	Mrs. L. B. Reid, Lbn.
Indianola Public Library	Indianola	Mrs. Bess Hearon, Lbn.
Inverness Public Library	Inverness	Mrs. Mattie L. Williams, Lbn.

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Jackson County-Pascagoula		
City Library		
Jackson Municipal Library	_Jackson	Miss Pearl Sneed, Lbn.
Jefferson Davis County Library		
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Lee County Library	Tupelo	Lbn.
Leland Public Library		Mrs. Odie Dunnam, Lbn.
Lincoln-Lawrence Libraries	Brookhaven	Mrs. Iola Magee, Lbn.
Long Beach Public Library	Long Beach	Mrs. Carrie Riddle, Lbn.
McComb Public Library	McComb	Miss Frances Otken, Lbn.
Marshall County Library		
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Montgomery County Library		
Moorhead Public Library		
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Northeast Regional Library	Corinth	Mrs. Augusta Richardson, Director
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BOOKS ON THE RUN

Bookmobiles Operating in Mississippi

LIBRARIES OPERATING BOOKMOBILES	HEAD- QUARTERS MAILING ADDRESS	COUNTIES	HEAD LIBRARY ADMINIS- TRATOR	BOOKMOBILE LBN. OR PERSON IN CHARGE
Capital Area Regional	Raymond	Hinds, Simpson, Scott, Rankin	W. W. Wicker	Mrs. Frances Dent Mrs. Jane Ramsey
Carnegie Public	Clarksdale	Coahoma	Anona Jenkins	Shirley Triplett
Copiah County	Hazlehurst	Copiah	Mrs. Mary Ella Miller	Mrs. Elsie Ruth Davis
First Regional	Hernando	DeSoto, Panola Tate, Lafayette	Mrs. Ross Williams	J. W. Hudspeth
Fisk Public	Natchez	Adams	Elenora Gralow	Mrs. Irene Paradise
Gulfport Carne- gie-Harrison County	Gulfport	Harrison	Maria Person	Mrs. I. W. Fletcher
Hattiesburg Public	Hattiesburg	Forrest	Elizabeth Grashot	Mrs. Ruby Graves
Jackson County- Pascagoula City	Pascagoula	Jackson	Mrs. Lola L. Kell	Betty Ferrer
Lee County	Tupelo	Lee Itawamba	Mrs. Elizabeth Holcomb	Miss Frankie Erck
Lincoln- Lawrence	Brookhaven	Lincoln Lawrence	Mrs. Iola Magee	Mrs. Pauline Vaughn
Meridian- Neshoba	Meridian	Lauderdale Neshoba	Jeanne Broach	Mrs. John Crampton
Northeast Regional	Corinth	Alcorn, Prentiss Tishomingo, Tippah	Mrs. Augusta Richardson	Mrs. Dorothy Haynie
Perry County	Richton	Perry	Temporary service direct from Miss. Li- brary Com- mission	1
Pontotoc County	Pontotoc	Pontotoc	Ludie Wood	Ludie Wood
Tallahatchie County	Charleston	Tallahatchie	Mrs. Sara Dickson	Mrs. Sara Dickson
Tombigbee Regional	West Point	Monroe, Clay Choctaw	Lucile Miller	Mrs. Tom Burch

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PUBLIC LIBRARY STATISTICS IN MISSISSIPPI

October 1, 1955 - September 30, 1956

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Nesheba County Library-Philadelphia	6.080.56	550.00	11,377.43				5.071.64	3.381.69				
Hertheset Regional Library—Corinth	25,593.87	3.000.00	32,585.55	Ģ.	80,034	28.184.824	21.508.65	4 676 28				
(Alcorn, Prentiss, Tippah, Tishominge)												
Tombigbee Rogienal Library-West Point	18,989.71	5,660.00	27,588.76	98.	54.300	25,154,160	15,695,12	6.738.98	90 414 08			
(Clay, Monroe. Choctaw recently added but not included in 1855-56 report)	luded in 1955-56	report)										
Evens Memorial Library-Aberdeen	420.00	3,473.91	8,413.97				6.166.60	1.254.99	8.978.59	10 087		10 808
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PUBLIC LIBRARY STATISTICS IN MISSISSIPPI - (Continued)

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Adame-Fisk Public Library-Natches	15,000.00	15,000.00	31,224.64	16.	32,256	35,652,994	18,028.17	10,321.11	35,392.60	16,563	4,071	20,083
Attala Attala County Library Kosciusko	10,200.00	1,020.00	11,315.47	.42	26,632	11,580,960	6,665,73	1,617.55	9,424.43	10,063	553	10,451
Bolivar-Cleveland Public Library-Cleveland	420.00	300.00	729.00	.03	63,004	39.292.164	1,200.00		1.249.00	No. rec.	Approx.	6,000
-Rosedale-Bolivar County Library-Rosedale	NO REPORT											
Chiekasaw-Houston Carnegie Library-Houston	250.00 A	Amt. not rept	1,000.00	.10	18,931	6,266,404	Breakdown	Breakdown of expenditures not available	s not availab	Book	stock not	not svallable.
-Okolona Carnegie Library-Okolona	250.00	1,000.00	1,300.86				900.00	340.08	1,252.34	7,968	264	8,187
Claiberne-Harriette Person Memorial Library-Port Gibson	400.00	200.00	1,037.98	00.	11,944	6,297,085 .	470.00	506.46	1,069.02	9,614	368	9,982
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Ceahema-Carnegie Public Library-Clarksdale	16,500.00	24,000.00	42,000.00	.85	49,361	33,076,088	19,971.29	8,967.48	39,952.74	60,753	2,646	61,632
Cesish-Copish County Library-Habiehurst	13,043.26	3,025.00	18,445.20	.00	39,493	13,674,570	8,433.50	4,148.56	18,320.81	17,931	2,113	20,165
Ferrat-Hattlesburg Public Library-Hattlesburg	15,387.92	10,121.79	32,099.35	r.	45,055	32,957,645	20,055.25	10,172.18	37,840.05	61,210	4,325	64,332
Geerge-George County Library-Lucedale	NO REPORT	T										
Granafia-Grenada County Library-Grenada	5,234.82	2,900.00	9,634.40	.51	18,830	10,862,857	5,920.40	1,124.63	8,225.57	13,556	284	14,025
Naseek-City-County Memorial Library-Bay St. Louis	3,600.00	2,600.00	6,913.93	.50	11,891	9,801,223	2,339.00	949.00	6,284.51	5,850	854	6,104
Marrison-Biloxi Public Library-Biloxi	5,000.00	10,000.60	15,354.03	.73	84,073	48,051,459	5,775.00	3,561.31	15,246.00	NOT B	NOT REPORTED	0
-Guifport Carnegie-Harrison County Library-Guifport.	30,000.00	12,000.00	43,830,25				24,303.28	9,704.93	39,209.73	NOT B	NOT REPORTED	a
-Long Beach Public Library-Long Beach	250.00	000.00	959.17				480.00	198.64	951.64	3,145	247	3,349
-Pass Christian Public Library-Pass Christian	NO REPORT	H			City							
Hinde-Jackson Municipal Library-Jackson		124,500.00	130,721.83	1.33	98.271	***************************************	74,248.03	33,942.51	126,985.88	70.794	11,409	79,863
Helmes-Holmes County Library-Durant	7,200.00	2,400.00	9,860.98	.30	33,301	12,870,534	5,880.50	2,169.49	9,861.45	15,701	2,904	18,543

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Jeckess-Jackson County-Passagouls City Library-Passagouls	11,000.00	11,000.00	22,206.98	17.	31,401	25,502,056	13,511.69	4,055.28	21.641.76	19,192	1,577	20,831
Jeffersen Davis-Jefferson Davis County Library-Prenties	2,400.00		2,400.00	.15	15,500	6,702,168	1,250.00	324.11	2,373.26	3,276	629	2,805
Jenes-Laurel Library Association-Laurel	2,500.00	1,800.00	10,256.39	.18	57,235	35,280,123	5.669.10	2,418.15	9,858.35	51,672	1,389	52,654
	(Above from school funds)	chool funds)										
Lames-Purvis Public Library-Purvis	NO REPORT	T										
Leske-Leske County Library-Carthage	3,081.76	120.00	3,245.87	.15	21,610	6,617,041	1.215.00	1,955.84	3,542,25	200	856	1,056
Lee-Lee County Library-Tupelo	11,615.00	8,386.48	22,509.45	.60	38,237	17,267,542	12,095.46	5,219.91	22,025.37	23,385	2,321	25,073
Leffers-Greenwood-Leffore Public Library-Greenwood	13,100.00	11,990.00	26,482.44	.51	51,813	28,212,532	18.628.00	4,777.70	26,898.71	29,371	2,131	31,410
Lawndes-Columbus and Lowndes County Library-Columbus	1,910.00	1,600.00	3,818.52	.10	37,852	20,017,405	1,662.50	115.26	4,085.74	11,452	65	11,517
Medieen-Canton Public Library-Canton	720.00	2,160.00	3,347.86	.10	33,860	15,184,136	2,100.00	1.270.74	3,561.48	6,826	102	7,538
Maries-Shelby Memorial Library-Columbia	2,400.00	3,000.00	5,467.40	80	23,967	11,145,749	2,265.00	2,020.17	5,416.45	7,822	1,223	8,716
Marehaft-Marchall County Library-Holly Springs	4,732.77	850.00	5,618.27	61	25,106	10,614,458	1,642.13	715.95	4.620.00	-	Mineral Marie and Marie an	3,366
Mantgemery-Montgomery County Library-Winona	900.00	516.00	1,926.00	.13	14,470	16,039,196	1,236.00	500.05	1,891.05	8,387	454	8,741
Mewten-Newton Public Library		2,500.00	2,553.19	.10	26,681	9,276,439	1,580.00	687.60	2,512.82	6,579	818	7,141
Mexubes-Ada Sessions Fant Memorial Library-Macon	900.00	960.00	2,144.58	11.	20,022	8,371,304	1,620.00	272.24	2,122.05	13,436	173	13,401
Oktibbeha-Oktibbeha County Library-Starkville	1,432.00	300.00	2,522.00	.10	24,569	10,062,727	1,258.37	742.93	2,010.37	9,729	267	7,104
Pearl River-Picayune Public Library	150.00	2,400.00	2,974.13	.19	20,641	13,567,069	1,377.00	1,046.62	2,624.96	7,165	401	7,520
-Pearl River County Library-Poplarville	450.00	300.00	1,050.00				450.00	250.00	1,050.00	6,360	101	6,487
Pike-Pike County Library-Magnolia	300.00	***************************************	340.00	60.	35,137	17,815,898	192.50	25.88	218.30	3,026	62	3,635
-McComb Public Library-McComb	300.00	1,200.00	2,803.43				1,532.50	861.16	2,535.78	16,296	808	16,804
Pentetes-Pontotoe County Library-Pontotoe	5,123.70	2,064.12	7,800.22	.34	19,994	5,955,768	3,748.36	2,088.44	6,830.33	5,384	699	6,653

PUBLIC LIBRARY STATISTICS IN MISSISSIPPI - (Continued)

		INCOME						EXPENDITURES	IRES		BOOKS	
COUNTY Name and Lecation of Library	Counties	City	Gifts Fines	Per Capita Income	County Population 1950 Census	Assessed Valuation Countles '55	Salaries	Books &. Magazines	TOTAL	Owned Oet. 1	Number	Owned Sept. 30
Quitmen-Quitmen County Library-Marks	500.00	500.00	1,289.00	.05	25,885	13,143,783	890.00	635.04	1,223.21	4,123	232	4,855
Sunflewer-Sunflower County Library-Ruleville	5,000.00	4,200.00	9,850.00	.18	56,031	27,508,070	6,480.00	1,500.00	9,850.00	14,754	909	15,304
Tallahatchie-Tallahatchie County Library-Charleston	10,800.00	America of Street, Co. Street, St. St.	10,857.77	.36	30,486	13,282,086	4.764.60	3,407.36	10,313.67		1,500	17,000
Unies-Union County Library-New Albany	7,675.61	720.00	8,763.27	.43	20,262	8,058,429	3,600.00	2,942.99	6,971.56	17,626	1,077	18,758
Waithaif-Waithail County Library-Tylertown	480.00	480.00	1,057.90	70.	15,563	8,629,292	480.00	204.50	1,114.90	2,928	103	2,681
Warren-Vicksburg Public Library-Vicksburg	7,500.00	11,787.50	21,187.50	.53	39,616	36,625,391	11,585.57	4,524.72	24,190.19	30,166	2,250	32,006
Washington-William Alexander Percy Memorial Library-												
Greenville	5,516.59	19,058.71	25,640.53	.39	70,504	46,000,286	15,412.97	5,722.91	27,010.60	22,210	2,938	25,148
-Leland Public Library-Leland	1,458.33	00.009	2,410.51				1,375.00	353.69	2,207.46	3,746	553	3,675
Wayne-Waynesboro Public Library-Waynesboro	финансорировноскі финансори	120.00	280.00	.02	17,010	5,983,466	150.00	75.00	254.00	2,305	86	2,375
Wineten-Winston County Library-Louisville	2,220.00	606.00	2,922.60	.13	22,231	10,273,258	1,926.00	606.86	2,918.84	5,940	320	6,224
Vasce-Yasoo Library Association-Yasoo City	3,000.00	1,440.00	7,390.00	.20	35,712	24,850,562	4,050.00	1,786.00	7,682.50	29,325	150	29,875
GRAND TOTAL Counties and Cooperative Libraries	8398,169.29	\$598,169.29 \$ 346,021.41 \$ 822,850.92	\$ 822,859.92		2,178,914 \$	2,178,914 \$ 221,111,601 \$ 450,688.04 \$ 188,737.41 \$ 797,808,72	456,638.04	\$ 188,737.41	\$ 797,808,72	826,959	76,435	978,065



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